(b) whether it is a fact that Government are taking steps to check this; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) Date under the specific head 'Stripping of Women' is not compiled by the Central Government.

(b) and (c) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects and as such the registration investigation detection and prevention of crime including the crime of stripping women is the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. However, the Government has from time to time been writing to concerned State Governments regarding the preventive, punitive and rehabilitative measures to be taken in connection with atrocities on women. Besides, the media is being used to project women in positive terms. Awareness-generation camps are being organised. Women's development programmes in various States, including the Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWACRA) Programme and in female literacy programmes are some of the other steps being taken to improve the status of women.

Transfer of Chandigarh to Punjab

2383. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chandigarh is being transferred to Punjab in near future;

(b) whether the Prime Minister and Union Home Minister held a number of discussions with the Chief Ministers of both Punjab and Haryana on the transfer of Chandigarh to Punjab.

(c) if so, the outcome of the discussion;

(d) whether Government have received any requests from Government of Haryana for rendering financial and technical help to this State for setting up of its down Capital;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Union Government agrees with the assessment that the present backwardness of the people of Haryana in the matter of culture, art, higher education, science and technology is due to the non existence of its separate state Capital; and

(g) what steps/necessary alternative Union Government has contemplated to speed up the pace of development of the people of Haryana in the above spheres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No decision has so far been taken regarding the transfer of Chandigarh.

(b) and (c) Discussions with all the concerned parties are being held to arrive at an amicable solution.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) and (g) Chandigarh is serving as capital of both Punjab and Haryana for the present, and, it is not true that the state of Haryana is without a Capital.

भारत में शरणार्थी

2384. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी सोलंकी :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) भारत में इस समय रह रहे विदेशी शरणार्थियों की देश-वार अनुमानित संख्या कितनी-कितनी है;

(ख) चालू वर्ष में अभी तक भारत में आये विदेशी शरणार्थियों की देश-वार अनुमानित संख्या कितनी-कितनी है;

(ग) उनके भारत आने के क्या कारण हैं ;

(घ) क्या सरकार उन्हें वापस उनके देश भेजने का विचार रखती है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. एम. शईद) : (क) इस समय भारत में रह रहे शरणार्थियों की राष्ट्रीयता वार, अनुमानित संख्या, निम्न प्रकार है:–

क्र.सं.	देश का नाम	शरणार्थियों की संख्या
1	श्री लंका	1,02,177
2	तिब्बत	80,000
3	बंगलादेश	86,000
4	म्यानमार	54

(ख) चालू वर्ष के दौरान इन क्षेत्रों में से किसी भी देश से किसी शरणार्थी के आने की सूचना नहीं मिली है ।

(ग) उनके देशों में जातीय हिंसां/ राजनीतिक अस्थिरता होने के कारण यह शरणार्थी भारत में आए ।

(घ) और (ङ) जहां तक श्रीलंका के शरणार्थियों का प्रश्न है, 20 जनवरी, 1992 से 19 फरवरी, 1994 तक 39,593 शरणार्थियों को श्रीलंका वापस भेजा जा चुका है । श्रीलंका के सभी शरणार्थियों को शीघ्र स्वदेश लौटाने को सुनिश्चित करने के लिये श्री लंका सरकार के साथ बातचीत लगातार जारी है । तिब्बती शरणार्थियों को स्वदेश लौटाने के बारे में इस समय ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन नहीं है । जहां तक चकमा शरणार्थियों का प्रश्न है, दिनांक 22–2–94 तक 1186 शरणार्थियों को बंगलादेश वापस भेजा गया । त्रिपुरा राज्य सरकार को सलाह दी गई है कि वह शरणार्थियों के नेताओं और बंगलादेश के प्राधिकारियों के परामर्श से आगामी कार्यक्रम तैयार करें ।

Bomb blasts in Delhi

2385. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government came to any conclusion to know the source responsible for a number of bomb blasts in Delhi in 1993; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The Delhi Police have reported that the bmob blasts are suspected to be the handiwork of either the militants or of the religious fundamentalists. The group behind the blasts which took place at 5, Raisina Road, has been identified as Khalistan Liberation Force. Six persons have been identified to have been involved in this incident.

Border fencing with Bangladeh

2386. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to the press reports published in recent months that Bangladesh Government have formulated definite plans for facilitating the infiltrations of their nationals into India; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) whether in view of the infiltration from Bangladesh Government propose to expedite the border fencing; if so, whether any time frame has been made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir. There is however, no official confirmation of the report published in the media.